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Charlie Kirk Assassinated in Cowardly Act of Evil

Exponent of free speech and civilized discourse brutally murdered in Utah rally

By RYLEY PEREZ
Tangi Times A.C.E.

It is with devastation that I report the assassination of Charlie Kirk, the co-founder and CEO of Turning Point USA and a courageous and faithful idealist. Kirk embodied the ideals of freedom of thought, productive civil discourse, and Godly values.

At the tragically young age of 31, he was shot in the neck while publicly discussing political issues with students at Utah Valley University before a crowd of 3,000 people. Charlie leaves behind his adoring wife, two very young children, and millions of people across the country who admired and loved him and what he stood for.

Disheartened by the rigid ideological standards at many American schools, Kirk founded the non-profit organization Turning Point USA at just eighteen years old to provide a supportive platform for students to explore and exchange different ideas. The movement quickly spread to thousands of colleges, universities, and high schools across the country and even overseas.

Above, members of the LSU Chapter of Turning Point USA attend the 2018 TPUSA Student Action Summit (SAS) in West Palm Beach, Florida. Pictured from left are Cassidy Riley, Charlie Kirk, Ryley Perez, Dylan Blitz, Tyler Porche, and Chandler Hegwood.

Millions of students have become involved in the organization, and its core values of free-market economics, independent thought, and the preservation of American constitutional liberties have found a strong and growing footing on American campuses.

Kirk frequently toured the country's campuses to sit down with students and exchange opposing ideas in a respectful manner, ultimately seeking the truth and the ability for individuals to freely develop informed positions on critical issues.

His tragic passing occurred on the first stop of his latest tour. Charlie has stated that he believes violence occurs where civil discourse does not, advocating for such conversations as a means to become more peaceful, unified, and effective in our efforts to prevail through the country's challenges.

"When discourse ends, violence begins." - Charlie Kirk

See CHARLIE KIRK on Page 3

A Recipe for Togetherness

By STEFANIE BROOKE • Tangi Times Community Journalist

Mark your calendars and hide your fancy china — September 13 is National Kids Take Over the Kitchen Day. On this day, kids and teens all over the country are encouraged to roll up their sleeves, grab an apron, and take command of the family kitchen. Whether the result is a slightly lopsided pizza, cookies with just a touch too much sprinkles, or a surprisingly delicious breakfast-for-dinner, one thing is guaranteed: the memories will be golden.

The idea behind this celebration is simple yet meaningful. By inviting young chefs to plan, prepare, and serve a meal, families are giving their kids more than just a chance to play with pots and pans.

They're teaching independence, building confidence, and showing how mealtimes can bring everyone together. The younger ones may still need a little adult supervision to keep fingers safe and ovens from overheating, but that's all part of the fun.

This day is championed by the Young Chefs Academy, an organization with a mission to empower kids and teens to discover the joy of cooking. Their philosophy is that when children help out in the kitchen, they're not just learning to stir and sauté — they're learning healthier eating habits, teamwork, and the rhythm of family life.

Mealtime is more than food; it's a daily ritual where stories are shared, laughs are exchanged, and relationships are strengthened.

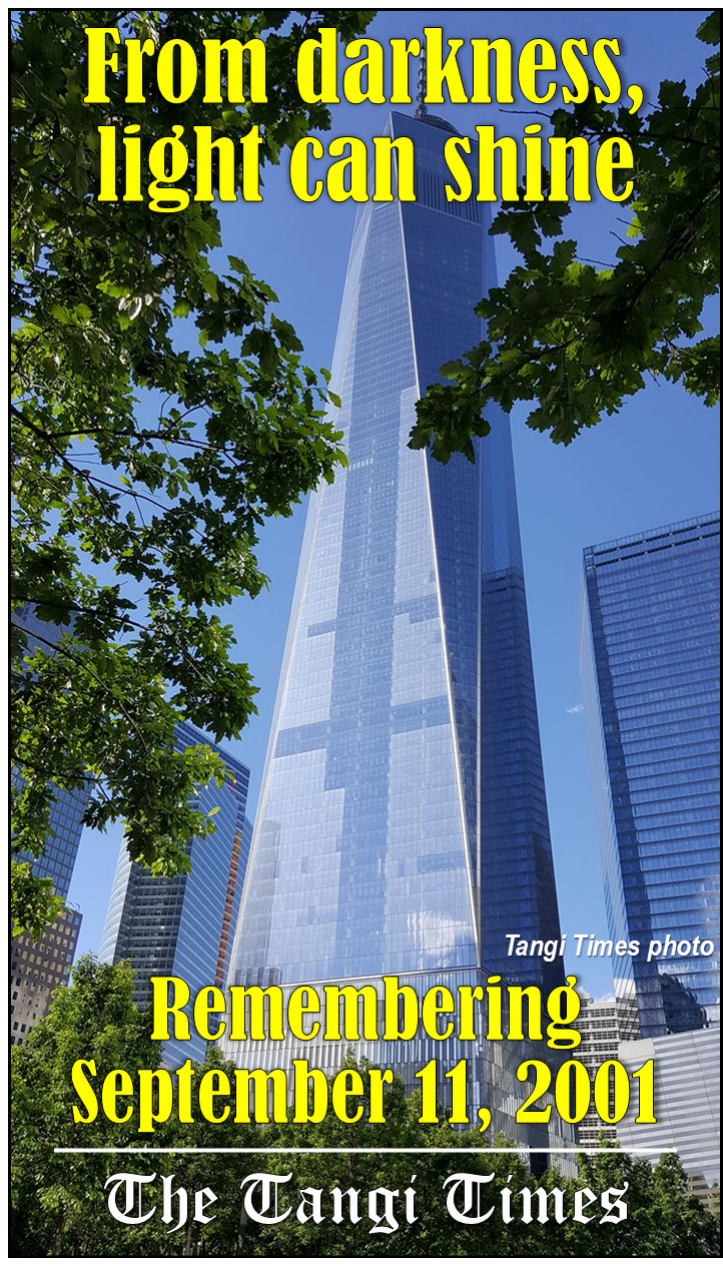
Of course, handing over the kitchen can also come with surprises. Expect imaginative menus like peanut butter tacos, rainbow spaghetti, or dinosaur pancakes.

While some dishes may lean more toward "creative experiment" than "fine dining," the real value lies in giving kids the freedom to explore. Who knows? Today's cookie-dough-covered counter might be a launchpad for tomorrow's top chef.

Parents and caregivers are encouraged to let the kids take charge more often than just this one day. When children are involved in meal planning and cooking, they're more likely to take pride in what's on their plate.

They also learn responsibility by contributing to the family in a tangible way. And every so often, you may be pleasantly surprised when a new family-favorite recipe is born out of their playful experiments.

So on September 13, hand over the wooden spoon, step aside, and let the littlest chefs in the house show off their culinary creativity. Dinner might look different, but the joy of letting kids shine in the kitchen is a recipe for togetherness that never fails.



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From The Tangi Times Weekend Weather Team

Bob Brick

Margaret Oar

meme WARRIOR

Friend: Hey, final grades are out. Let's go see what we got.

Me: I can't – I'm with my dad. Look at my grades, and if I failed one subject, text, "Good morning to you." If I failed two subjects, text, "Good morning to you and your dad."

Friend, one hour later: Good morning to you, your dad, and all your family and neighbors.

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movie quote Challenge

Can you cite the movie that featured this memorable quote? Email the answer to publisher@tangitimes.com.

"As my plastic surgeon once said, 'If you gotta go, go with a smile.'"

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Congratulations to Paul Cicero for being the first to correctly identify last week's challenge from Goodfellas!

Safety Tip of the Day

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Thursday September 11
6:30 pm
Wine Bingo
Crescent Lounge
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Saturday September 13
9:30am
1st Annual Hungarian Heritage Festival Pageant 2026
Victory in Christ Church of Louisiana
26012 LA-42, Holden

Saturday September 13
11 am
T-Rex Tea Party
Audubon Regional Library St. Helena Branch
6108 Hwy 10, Greensburg

Saturday September 13
4-8pm
Golden Oldies Car Show and Kids' Cruise Night
First 50 kids receive a gift bag
Hammond Square Mall

Wednesday September 17
11am-1pm
Town Hall Meeting with House Speaker Phillip DeVillier
Free admission
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Columbia Theatre
6108 Hwy 10, Greensburg

Saturday, September 20
9:00am
Celtic Heritage Festival
Krewe of Erin
Kiwanis Park
201 S 6th St, Ponchatoula

Sunday September 21
11 am
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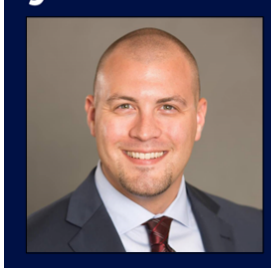

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St. Helena Parish Sheriff's Office Receives Keep Louisiana Beautiful Healthy Communities Grant

Press Release: **September 10, 2025**

GREENSBURG, LA—Keep Louisiana Beautiful (KLB), a state program which works with local non-profits and governments to support local communities through programs and resources for litter prevention, education, removal, enforcement, recycling, waste reduction and sustainability initiatives, has chosen the St. Helena Parish Sheriff's Office to receive a Healthy Communities Grant to support their litter prevention and waste management practices. Sheriff Clay Chutz announced today that Keep Louisiana Beautiful has awarded the $10,000 grant to help create and execute a beautification project focused on beautifying a run-down portion of the St. Helena Parish Jail located adjacent to the St. Helena Parish Courthouse in Greensburg. "This grant award represents an active partnership with KLB that will help us uphold our responsibility to do the right thing for the environment and community and to assist us in our efforts to Keep St. Helena Beautiful," Sheriff Chutz said.

KLB Executive Director, Susan Russell explains that the Healthy Communities Grant is designed to provide funding for local projects and programs bringing about behavioral changes needed to improve the appearance of communities in Louisiana. "Projects focus on litter removal, litter prevention education and practices, waste management and reduction, recycling, reusing, and refusing, litter enforcement and other related efforts. KLB seeks projects that have diverse community support, volunteer involvement, collaboration with stakeholders and benefit the community at large."

Made possible with funding from the State of Louisiana and the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, 20 Healthy Community Grants totaling over $174,000 were awarded to eligible organizations including Louisiana parishes, municipalities, state agencies, governmental entities, political subdivisions, schools, colleges, universities, non-profit organizations, and KLB Affiliates. Sheriff Chutz added. "The St. Helena Parish Sheriff's Office will use our grant to beautify, restore and revitalize a run-down portion of the Jail located on the Courthouse Square that will also include a beautiful painted mural depicting the beauty of St. Helena Parish."

Keep Louisiana Beautiful (KLB), is a state program under the Office of the Lieutenant Governor and the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism that promotes a personal, corporate, and community responsibility for a clean and beautiful Louisiana. KLB supports local communities through programs and resources for litter education, prevention, removal, enforcement, beautification, recycling, waste reduction, and sustainability initiatives. KLB is affiliated with the national organization, Keep America Beautiful, and is supported by a robust statewide network of Community Affiliates and University Affiliates. Learn more at KeepLouisianaBeautiful.org.

Two New Members Sworn in to South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission

Joshua Logan Davis and Brandon M. Schanzbach were sworn in as the newest members of the South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission at the September 10 meeting. The seven members of the commission are appointed by the governor for six-year terms and serve as the official State of Louisiana governing authority for the Port Manchac inter-modal terminal.

South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission attorney of record Andre Coudrain (left) performs the swearing ceremony for two new members: Joshua Logan Davis (middle) and Brandon M. Schanzbach (right).

TANGI GUMBO

A little bit of everything you need to know

Tangipahoa Parish officials announced that as of 3pm on Monday, September 8, 2025, the Tangipahoa River is now open to all marine traffic from Black Bayou south to the river's mouth. Authorities caution boaters to remain aware of a light sheen of oil still present on the water in these areas and remind the public that navigation north of Black Bayou remains prohibited. Boaters are also urged not to cross or disturb booms or interfere with ongoing recovery operations.

Agents with Attorney General Liz Murrill's Louisiana Bureau of Investigation arrested 32-year-old Brandon Joseph Bunol of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, on September 5, 2025, for Indecent Behavior with Juveniles and Computer-Aided Solicitation of a Minor. Bunol allegedly engaged in inappropriate online communications with a juvenile in St. Tammany Parish. The arrest followed a joint investigation involving the LBI, Homeland Security Investigations, the Hancock County Sheriff's Office, and the 22nd JDC Special Victims Unit Task Force. Bunol was booked into the St. Tammany Correctional Facility, with bond information pending, and the investigation remains ongoing. Attorney General Murrill and District Attorney Collin Sims emphasized that no one is above the law when it comes to protecting children.

Tangipahoa Parish deputies responded on Monday to a shooting at a mobile home park on Melanie Lane in Hammond after a woman reported being shot while driving through the neighborhood. She was struck in the arm and transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. Detectives also discovered at least one bullet hole in a nearby home, but no additional injuries have been reported. Sheriff Gerald Sticker urges anyone with information to contact the Criminal Investigations Division at 985-902-2088 or submit tips anonymously through Crime Stoppers of Tangipahoa at 1-800-554-5245 or online. The investigation remains active.

(See TANGI GUMBO Page 5)

POS (PERSON OF SUSPICION) OF THE WEEK

POS Brandon Joseph Bunol

Attorney General Liz Murrill's Louisiana Bureau of Investigation arrested a man from Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for Indecent Behavior with Juveniles.
32-year-old Brandon Joseph Bunol, of Chapel Hill Road in Bay St. Louis, was arrested on September 5, 2025, for violating:
1 Count of LA RS 14:81—Indecent Behavior with Juveniles
1 count of LA RS 14:81.3 -- Computer aided solicitation of a minor
Bunol engaged in inappropriate online communications with a juvenile from St. Tammany.
***Bunol is a doctor in Bay St. Louis.**
This arrest was a result of a joint investigation with The Louisiana Bureau of Investigation, Homeland Security Investigations, Hancock County Sheriff's Office (Mississippi), and the 22nd JDC Special Victims Brandon Joseph Bunol was booked into the St. Tammany Correctional Facility.
His bond information is pending assignment at this time, and the investigation is ongoing.

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CHARLIE KIRK

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Additionally, he repeatedly conveyed very comprehensive, well-researched arguments for numerous political topics during his speeches and discussions. Charlie's range of accomplishments, courageous confrontation of today's polarized political landscape, and unmatched effectiveness at challenging status quos, all by such a young age, will be eternally remembered. Above all, though, Charlie was a devout Christian with a loving and faithful heart. His base is now more mobilized than ever, and his work will carry on.

God bless Charlie Kirk.

"Charlie's children will be raised with stories instead of memories, photographs instead of laughter, and silence where their father's voice should have echoed."

– Melania Trump on X

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REQUIRED EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- Bachelor's degree in civil engineering or a related field.
- Certification / License: Must possess and maintain an Engineering License from the state of Louisiana.
- Five years of increasingly responsible professional civil engineering experience OR any equivalent combination of education, training, and experience that provides the requisite knowledge, skills, and abilities for this job.
- Must have a valid Driver's License and MVR.
- Must be able to travel to satellite office locations as needed.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Pre-employment drug testing is required, and employees will be subject to unannounced alcohol and drug testing as a condition of continued employment.
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Salary Range: DOE/Full-Time with Benefits

Application Deadline: Friday, September 12, 2025, 3:00 PM

Cost of notice: $31.50

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The Tangipahoa Parish Government is searching for experienced candidates for the position of GIS Manager. To join our growing team, please review the list of responsibilities and qualifications. The Parish GIS Manager will maintain the enterprise Geographical Information Systems (GIS) databases, applications, and interfaces to various systems on personal, mid-level, and mainframe computer platforms.

REQUIRED EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

- Bachelor's degree in geographic information systems, geography, planning, civil engineering, computer science, or a related field.
- 5+ years of proven experience in geographic information systems, including one year of supervisory experience.
- ESRI Certification.
- Must have a valid Driver's License and MVR.
- Great attention to detail, positive attitude, and strong work ethic.

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- Required pre-employment background check.

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MELISSA M. STILLEY
SUPERINTENDENT

TOM TOLAR
BOARD PRESIDENT

NOTICE

DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

The Tangipahoa Parish School System (TPSS) is now accepting applications for the following:

POSITION: College and Career Coach (11 Months)

SALARY: $53,339 - $76,680 (Based on verified years of relevant experience)

LOCATION: College and Career Center
Independence, LA

CRITERIA:

- Bachelor's degree in Education, Career Development, Counseling, or related field (Master's preferred).
- Experience in program management or coordination, particularly in career readiness, apprenticeships, or similar educational settings.
- See Job Description for key criteria associated with this advertisement

Preferred Qualifications:

- Experience in managing or overseeing apprenticeship programs at the secondary school level.
- Familiarity with career assessment tools, ACT prep resources, and national standards for career readiness.
- Ability to create and deliver professional development opportunities for site coordinators and other school staff.
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NOTICE

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SALARY: $19,614 – $30,431 (Based on verified years of relevant experience)

LOCATION: To Be Determined

CRITERIA:

- Must have a High School Diploma or GED equivalent

Preferred Qualifications:

- Highly Qualified
  a. ParaPro Praxis exam with a passing score of 450 or higher
  b. Bachelors degree
  c. Associates Degree in Early Childhood or an Applied Science
  d. 45 College Credits from an Accredited College or University, including:
     i. 3 hours in English Language Arts
     ii. 6 hours in Mathematics
     iii. 6 hours in Reading
- Complete a Special Education training course for paraeducators
- Heartsaver AED Certification (current)

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Village of Tangipahoa

A public hearing meeting was held at the Village of Tangipahoa City Hall located at 12616 Jackson Street, Tangipahoa, LA 70465 on August 12, 2025, at 6:45 p.m. Mayor Gray called the meeting to order. Alderwoman Pamela Bean and Alderman Willis Smith were present. Alderman Rodriguez is absent. The item on the agenda is Ordinance 1 of 2025, Regularly Scheduled Meeting Amendment. There is no public in attendance. Upon motion by Alderman Smith and second by Alderwoman Bean, the meeting is adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Humbly Submitted By,
Allicie Briggs, Municipal Clerk

Cost of notice: $12.60

Village of Tangipahoa

A public meeting was held at the Village of Tangipahoa City Hall located at 12616 Jackson Street, Tangipahoa, LA 70465 on August 12, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Alderwoman Pamela Bean, Alderman Willis Smith, and Alderman Rodriguez were present. The minutes were motioned for approval with the necessary correction by Alderwoman Bean and seconded by Alderman Smith. Upon motion by Alderwoman Bean and second by Alderman Smith the motion is carried to adopt Ordinance 1 of 2025 Regularly Scheduled Meeting Amendment. Mayor Gray recommended Ms. Vanessa Williams as Magistrate. The motion is carried upon motion by Alderwoman Bean and seconded by Alderman Smith. Mayor Gray presented Resolution 4 of 2025 Revising Charges, Fees, Deposits, Procedures, and Penalties for Utility Services. There was no public input. Upon motion by Alderman Rodriguez and seconded by Alderman Smith the motion is carried. Mayor Gray presented Resolution 5 of 2025, Establishing an Increase in Water and Sewer Rates. During public input on this item, Ms. Tracy Cook stated, I don't have a problem with the increase. It's not that bad. The motion is carried upon motion by Alderman Rodriguez and seconded by Alderman Smith. Mr. Eslam Odeh requests an annexation of his property within the village limits. After much discussion, the mayor will investigate the costs of the annexation. The board will review this request at the next council meeting. Upon motion by Alderman Rodriguez and second by Alderwoman Bean, the board approves the adoption of the Language Access Plan. As part of public comments, Mr. Rickey Coleman asked the board to consider changing the name of the park. Mayor Gray informs the board that the town has installed a new pump in the Silo lift station, and all the lift stations are working. Alderman Smith motions to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Rodriguez seconds that the meeting is adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Allicie Briggs, Municipal Clerk

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Village of Tangipahoa

A special public community meeting was held at the Village of Tangipahoa City Hall located at 12616 Jackson Street, Tangipahoa, LA 70465 on August 29, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Gray called the meeting to order. Alderwoman Pamela Bean, Alderman Willis Smith, and Alderman Rodriguez were present. Mayor Gray opened the meeting for residents to voice their concerns. We had a few citizens inquire about the increase in the utility rates. A concerned citizen suggested that the community come together to cut the grass on Highway 51. Another citizen said she has brown water from time to time. A few citizens had a variety of requests, which included: the Franklin Street hole can be filled with dirt, street signs to be put back up, ditching, and sidewalks on Hwy 440. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.
Respectfully,
Allicie Briggs, Municipal Clerk

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CONSOLIDATED GRAVITY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1 OF TANGIPAHOA PARISH, STATE OF LOUISIANA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2025, AT 5:00 P.M., AT THE DOMICILE OF THE DRAINAGE DISTRICT LOCATED AT 48571 HIGHWAY 51 NORTH, TICKFAW, LOUISIANA.

The Board of Commissioners of Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 of Tangipahoa Parish, State of Louisiana, met on the above date in Regular Session and was called to order by the President, Mr. Joey Mayeaux, with the following members present:

STRADER CIEUTAT, JOSEPH HAVIS, III, BRIGETTE HYDE, JOHN G. INGRAFFIA, LOUIS "NICK" JOSEPH, JOEY MAYEAUX, H.G. "BUDDY" RIDGEL, LIONELL WELLS

ABSENT: DAVID VIAL

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A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to adopt the Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated August 13, 2025, and that they be dispensed and published in the Official Journal of the District as record. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Cieutat, Havis, Hyde, Ingraffia, Joseph, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells)

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Vial)

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A motion was made by Mr. Havis and seconded by Mr. Wells to table "Item 9" of the Agenda. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Cieutat, Havis, Hyde, Ingraffia, Joseph, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells)

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Vial)

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Mr. Chuck Spangler of Spangler Engineering presented the Board with bid results from the W8 Improvements at Ponchatoula Cemetery [FY2025] Project. He recommended that the Drainage District award the bid to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. A motion was made by Ms. Cieutat and seconded by Ms. Hyde to accept the recommendation of Mr. Chuck Spanger and award the Public Bid for the W8 Improvements at Ponchatoula Cemetery [FY2025] Contract to the lowest bidder, NCMC, LLC in the amount of $379,000.00. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Cieutat, Havis, Hyde, Ingraffia, Joseph, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells)

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Vial)

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A motion was made by Mr. Joseph and seconded by Mr. Havis to accept the Maintenance Contract for Building roof, insulation and window repairs to Frank A. Anzalone General Contractors, Inc. in the amount of $133,828.00. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Cieutat, Havis, Hyde, Ingraffia, Joseph, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells)

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Vial)

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In his report, the Administrator presented the July Financial Report and the Master To Do List and Permit and Progress Report. He informed the Board that he had signed the paperwork to facilitate the purchase of 8.33 acres from Tangipahoa Parish Government. A motion was made by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve the Administrator's Report. Roll call vote was as follows:

YEAS: 8 (Cieutat, Havis, Hyde, Ingraffia, Joseph, Mayeaux, Ridgel, Wells)

NAYS: None

NOT VOTING: None

ABSENT: 1 (Vial)

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With no further business appearing, on motion by Mr. Wells and seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Commissioners of CGDD1 adjourned.

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Stanan Capdeboscq
Secretary-Treasurer
Consolidated Gravity Drainage
District No. 1
Tangipahoa Parish

Joey Mayeaux
President
Consolidated Gravity Drainage
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Tangipahoa Parish

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TOWN OF KENTWOOD
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Town of Kentwood will hold a public hearing at 5:45 P.M. on Thursday, October 2, 2025, at City Hall, 308 Ave G, Kentwood, LA, prior to Town Council Meeting.
This hearing is to provide an opportunity for citizens to offer comments on and discuss:
Ordinance No. 3 of 2025 (A proposed ordinance to Contract Municipal Boundaries
and De-Annex the Old O.W. Dillon School Property from Within the Town of Kentwood city limits).

Mayor Irma Gordon
Town of Kentwood, LA
985-229-3451

Publish: 9/12,19 & 26
Cost of notice: $ 11.00

PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL ON AUGUST 25, 2025, AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH GORDON A BURGESS GOVERNMENTAL BUILDING, 206 EAST MULBERRY STREET, AMITE, LOUISIANA
Mr. Vial, Chair made it known a public hearing was being held on the following:

PUBLIC HEARING

T.P. Ordinance No. 25-24, T.P. Ordinance No. 25-25 – no one asked to speak on these items

MINUTES OF THE TANGIPAHOA PARISH COUNCIL AUGUST 25, 2025 MEETING

The Tangipahoa Parish Council met on the 25th day of August 2025 in Regular Session and was called to order by Mr. David Vial, Chairman at 5:30pm. The Chair asked all cell phones to be muted or turned off.

The Invocation was given by Councilwoman Wells and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman

Hyde The following members were PRESENT: Darrell Sinagra, John Ingraffia, Louis Joseph, Joseph Havis, Buddy Ridgel, Joey Mayeaux, Lionell Wells, David Vial, Brigette Hyde, Strader Cieutat

ADOPTION OF MINUTES Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Wells to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting dated August 11, 2025. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

PUBLIC INPUT – No one from the public asked to speak.

PARISH PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. FINANCIAL REPORT- President Miller announced that, due to the recent events taking place, the financial

meeting was postponed until the next scheduled meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF Bid – Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to approve low bid by Doggett Machinery in the amount of $20,774.00 for 200 Grader Blades. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

3. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ODER #1 – Motion by Mr. Havis, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to approve change order #1 for an increase of 84 days for Florida Parishes Arena Multi-Purpose Building (Horse Barn). Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

4. APPROVAL TO HIRE – Motion by Ms. Hyde, seconded by Mrs. Cieutat to approve to hire a contractor to cut grass and remove trash/debris at 39443 South Thibodeaux Road, Ponchatoula, LA 70454, Assessment #2113104 in District 9 and lien property the cost of the contract plus administrative fees. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

5. APPROVAL TO HIRE – Motion by Mr. Havis, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve to hire a contractor to cut grass at 49163 Chapel Road, Tickfaw, LA 70466, Assessment #942200 in District 4 and lien property the cost of the contract plus administrative fees. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

6. APPROVAL TO HIRE – Motion by Mr. Havis, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve to hire a contractor to cut grass at 53595 Cason Road, Independence, LA 70443, Assessment #917001 in District 4 and lien property the cost of the contract plus administrative fees. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

7. APPROVAL TO HIRE – Motion by Mr. Ridgel, seconded by Mr. Havis to approve to hire a contractor to cut grass and remove trash/debris at 16191 Highway 1064, Tickfaw, LA 70466, Assessment #4665309 in District 5 and lien property the cost of the contract plus administrative fees. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat President requested that the council to amend the agenda to add a resolution that will enable the parish to act on any emergency grants that could possibly be available in response to the Smitty's event. Motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Ms. Hyde to amend the agenda to add the resolution. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

The Chair announced all council had a copy of the resolution in their folders and read the resolution aloud.

ADOPTION of T.P. Resolution No. R25-28 – A Resolution of the Tangipahoa Parish Council to request emergency grant funds

WHEREAS, the Tangipahoa Parish Council has a need to locate funding and help it cover emergency expenses and emergency response to the disastrous Smitty's explosion and fire that took place in Roseland on August 22, 2025; and

WHEREAS, this fire destroyed much property, put over 400 workers at Smitty's out of work, and resulted in the

evacuation of residents and businesses within one mile of the disaster site, with many of these evacuee families being lower income; and

WHEREAS, the Parish may have the opportunity to apply for emergency funds to assist with responding to this

emergency;

THEN, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tangipahoa Parish Council hereby has declared this event an emergency and resolves that the Parish President request funding assistance to help the Parish cover emergency unbudgeted costs and emergency response expenses at this time.

Motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Joseph to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R25-28. Roll call vote as follows:

YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms.

Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

President Miller provided a general timeline of the Smitty's event that occurred on Friday, August 22, 2025. He

expressed his appreciation to all agencies involved and announced the LA Workforce Commission and Tangipahoa Parish Geaux jobs have the mobile bus with all resources to assist Smitty's employees in Hammond.

Mr. Joseph announced the Mayor of Roseland and his team are having a meeting tonight at Grant's Chapel at 7:00pm.

President Miller made known the Mayor of Roseland has been involved and onsite working hard for Roseland. The Mayor was taking care of residents, looking after their property and taking care of the assets of Roseland.

REGULAR BUSINESS

8. PRESENTATION – Ms. Hyde gave a brief summary of the High School Firefighter Program being taught by Ponchatoula Volunteer Fire Department program and introduced Chief Stormy Joiner. Chief Joiner introduced the Chief of Training, Joshua White, Captain and lead instructor Jerred Wrinkles, and Firefighter Trace Slade.

Chief Joiner explained that the program is for high school seniors. Chief White explained the course is throughout the school year with the students completing the program receiving credits toward graduating, Hazmat awareness, operations level certifications, Fire I and Fire II certifications. With these certifications students can go anywhere in the United States due to the certifications being nationally recognized. Chief Joiner announced the program is for any school in Tangipahoa Parish, interested students should contact their school counselor, the program is free, August 29, 2025 is the last day to sign up for the upcoming class.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

9. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 25-24 - An Ordinance establishing Vineyard Trace Subdivision a No Truck Route in District 8 - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on August 11, 2025, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at WWW.TANGIPAHOA.ORG together with a notice of public hearing, which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on August 25, 2025. Motion by Mr. Ingraffia seconded by Ms. Hyde to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 25-24. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

10. ADOPTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 25-25 - An Ordinance to declare surplus (1) Surface Pro Laptop, Asset #23805, and authorize the donation of said asset to the Village of Tangipahoa - An Ordinance to declare surplus (1) Surface Pro Laptop, Asset #23805, and authorize the donation of said asset to the Village of Tangipahoa - The following ordinance which was previously introduced in written form required for adoption at a regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council on August 11, 2025, a summary thereof having been published in the Official Journal and in full at WWW.TANGIPAHOA.ORG together with a notice of public hearing, which was held in accordance with said public notice, was brought up for final passage on August 25, 2025. Motion by Mr. Joseph seconded by Mr. Sinagra to adopt T.P. Ordinance No. 25-25. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

11. INTRODUCTION of T.P. Ordinance No. 25-26 - An Ordinance amending and enacting the operating fees of the Florida Parishes Arena and Event Center –

Ms. Hyde asked to TABLE this item until the next meeting for further review.

Mr. Ingraffia asked arena director Mr. Lane Taillon to answer some questions.

Mr. Taillon explained it is a proposal to raise the rental fees that have not been updated since 2004.

Mr. Ridgel asked about separate fees for non profit activities vs. profit activities.

Mr. Taillon explained the arena charges rental fees without getting a cut of the producers' ticketed sales and stated 4H events can now occur on the weekends.

Mrs. Cieutat asked about the jump in fees with a small group where the rental was $300 and now its $1000.

Mr. Taillon explained the current rate is $300 for 4 hours and his proposed fee is for all day.

Ms. Hyde asked what if someone only needs it for an hour.

Mr. Taillon said there is not an hourly rate available because this can take away from someone wanting to rent the event center longer.

President Miller added they could look into that but they do not want to undercut some

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Three members of Southeastern Louisiana University's biology department were recently honored at the annual meeting of the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists in St. Paul, Minnesota. Professor Chris Beachy received the Robert K. Johnson Award for excellence in service to the society, while Professor Kyle Piller, who also directs SLU's Center for Environmental Research, earned the Meritorious Teaching Award in Ichthyology for his outstanding teaching and mentoring. In addition, graduate student Abby Klahs of Hammond, under Beachy's direction, won the Stoye Award for Best Oral Presentation in Herpetology, highlighting the department's national recognition for both scholarship and teaching.

Southeastern Louisiana University's Department of Computer Science is hosting the first of the fall Industry Connect Distinguished Lectures Sept. 18, at 4 p.m. Scheduled in the Envoc Innovation Lab, located in room 2026 in the Computer Science and Technology Building, the free lecture is titled "Alchemy of Responsible AI: Principles, Ethics, Integration."

Phillip Jackson, principal software engineer manager at Microsoft, will serve as guest speaker.

Guests are welcome to attend in person at the Computer Science and Technology building or virtually via Google Meet. To be added to the RSVP list and receive all event details, email industryconnect@southeastern.edu.

For more information, contact the Department of Computer Science at 985-549-5740.

The following students from Ponchatoula have been named to the Summer 2025 President's List at Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU): Taylor Jones, Morgan Wallace, Jessica Perry, Ginger McKinney, Brittany Malone, Raychelle Bordelon, and Lachandra Mack.

Tangipahoa Parish officials report ongoing progress in the response to the Smitty's Supply incident in Roseland, with the fire now fully extinguished and 100% contained, according to the EPA. Recovery operations continue around the facility and nearby ponds, collecting more than 3.7 million gallons of oil, grease, and contaminated water to date, while air monitoring readings remain unchanged. Two to four vehicles are scheduled for removal from the site, and personnel from Tangipahoa Parish, Louisiana State Police, the Department of Environmental Quality, the EPA, and 249 contractors remain actively engaged in cleanup and recovery efforts.

The U.S. Small Business Administration has announced that low-interest federal disaster loans are now available to small businesses and private nonprofit organizations in Louisiana and parts of Mississippi impacted by economic losses from the Smitty's Supply Fire that burned from Aug. 22–25. The disaster declaration, issued after a request from Gov. Jeff Landry, covers Jefferson, Livingston, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa and Washington parishes, along with Amite and Pike counties in Mississippi. SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans of up to $2 million, with interest rates as low as 4% for small businesses and 3.625% for nonprofits, can be used for working capital needs such as payroll and accounts payable, with repayment deferred for 12 months. The deadline to apply is June 6, 2026.

State DOTD announced that the final phase of the $57 million I-12 widening project from LA 1077 to LA 21 is more than 90% complete, with contractors on track to open the new lanes to traffic by the end of October. The project, which represents the third and final phase of a long-term effort to expand I-12 in the parish, is expected to significantly improve safety and ease congestion along one of the region's busiest corridors.

Southeastern Louisiana University is hosting a day for university students and their families to come together for fun and celebration as the university commemorates its 100th anniversary. Scheduled Nov. 1, at 1:30pm at Friendship Circle on campus, the event will offer an opportunity to experience life at Southeastern, from cheering on the Lions at the football game, to enjoying a festive tailgate and participating in interactive campus activities.

Special activities for the youngest Lions, affectionately known as "Lion Cubs," will also be available.

To register and explore event details, including hotel room blocks, visit southeastern.edu/admin/stu_affairs/family-day/. For more information or assistance, contact the planning team at student.engagement@southeastern.edu.

The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office (TPSO) needs the public's help identifying and locating two suspects accused of stealing from an area discount store.

On August 23, two black females entered the Dollar General store in the 18000 block of Highway 22 in the Ponchatoula area around 1:45pm. Surveillance cameras captured the women collecting a large amount of merchandise, soap detergent and a large tote full of additional merchandise.

One suspect wearing white shirt and black pants exited a back door with all of the items, setting off an alarm, and left in an unknown direction. The other suspect left out of the front door without paying for any of the items either.

Sheriff Gerald Sticker encourages anyone with information about who these suspects are, or their whereabouts, to contact Det. Earl McFarland at 985-514-8181.

If you'd prefer to share information anonymously, you can do so through Crime Stoppers of Tangipahoa's tip line at 1-800-554-5245 or visit www.tangicrimestoppers.com and click on the P3 Tips icon or Submit A Tip!

You may be eligible for a cash reward.

The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office (TPSO) needs the public's help gathering information about a series of vehicle-related crimes in the Tickfaw area believed to be connected.

Overnight on Saturday (Sept. 6) into Sunday, September 7, at least one suspect is seen on multiple surveillance videos breaking into vehicles on Chapel Road in Tickfaw and Chandler Place in Hammond. At this time, TPSO has logged more than 15 reports, one with a confirmed gun stolen, that are believed to be connected to this spree.

The suspect is described as a tall, thin black male wearing all black clothes, a white face mask, blue gloves, blue and white tennis shoes and a light blue backpack. In at least one video, it appears he is holding a gun.

Sheriff Gerald Sticker encourages anyone with information about who this suspect is, or additional cases, to contact the Criminal Investigations Office at 985-902-2088.

If you'd prefer to share information anonymously, you can do so through Crime Stoppers of Tangipahoa's tip line at 1-800-554-5245 or visit www.tangicrimestoppers.com and click on the P3 Tips icon or Submit A Tip!

Tips submitted directly through Crimestoppers may be eligible for a cash reward.

The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office is searching for 24-year-old Damontay Watkins, wanted for allegedly giving marijuana gummies to three teenagers in June, an incident that left one hospitalized. Deputies say Watkins also has three outstanding 2023 warrants and has been evading arrest. Anyone with information is urged to call the Criminal Investigations Office at 985-902-2088 or provide an anonymous tip through Crime Stoppers of Tangipahoa at 1-800-554-5245 or www.tangicrimestoppers.com.

The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office is asking for the public's help in identifying a suspect linked to more than 15 vehicle burglaries reported overnight September 6–7 in the Tickfaw and Hammond areas. Surveillance footage shows a tall, thin Black male dressed in black clothing, wearing a white face mask, blue gloves, blue-and-white tennis shoes, and carrying a light blue backpack; in at least one video, he appears to be armed. One stolen firearm has already been confirmed. Sheriff Gerald Sticker urges anyone with information to call TPSO's Criminal Investigations Office at 985-902-2088 or share tips anonymously through Crime Stoppers of Tangipahoa at 1-800-554-5245 or www.tangicrimestoppers.com.

I-12 Westbound, near the Baptist Weigh Scales (Milepost 36), will have a right lane closure on Thursday, September 18, 2025, from 8PM to 5AM, weather permitting, to perform Weigh Scale maintenance work.

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LEGAL AND PUBLIC NOTICES

of the private sectors that do the same thing and the fees were doing that.

Mr. Mayeaux asked it the arena was running in the red.

Mrs. Cowart explained the funding of the arena.

Mr. Taillon stated people are going to feel like it's a large jump because they weren't paying for the things in the existing contract, they are now being charged for what they should have been charged for.

Mr. Havis asked for a comparison analysis from other arenas.

Motion by Ms. Hyde, seconded by Mr. Havis to TABLE T.P. Ordinance No. 25-26 until Monday, September 8, 2025. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

12. ADOPTION of T.P. Resolution No. R25-27 - A Resolution of Tangipahoa Parish Council approving the Tangipahoa Parish Housing Choice Voucher Program Administrative Plan – Ms. Tonay Mabry explained the admin plan that is required. Motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Ms. Hyde to adopt T.P. Resolution No. R25- 27, having been published in full at WWW.TANGIPAHOA.ORG prior to passage. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR PERMITS

13. Motion by Mr. Mayeaux, seconded by Mrs. Cieutat to approve the foregoing Beer, Wine, Liquor permit as approved by TPSO for 42559 Airport Road, LLC, DBA Shell Hammond Travel Plaza, 42559 South Airport Rd, Hammond, LA 70403, Class B Beer (Package Only) / Class A/B Liquor, District 8. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Ms. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

LEGAL MATTERS

Legal Counsel Cascio explained in other jurisdictions there is a District Attorney's report on the agenda and he'd like to use this as an opportunity to discuss the happenings in his office. He discussed the court case today for a drug dealer in Hammond with 2 counts of selling drugs in the community each count facing 10 years. He was convicted of both counts and will serve 20 years.

COUNCILMEN'S PRIVILEGES

Ms. Cieutat commended the efforts by everyone at the Tangipahoa Parish School Systems Central office and the Roseland principal in the evacuation of the children from Roseland school and getting them to their families.

Mr. Havis commended Tangipahoa Parish EOC, Dawson Primes, Vicki and all the others involved in the EOC.

Mr. Joseph mentioned Jaye Lynn Collura, a former student, who works as the HR for Smitty's and is dealing with the recent event.

Mr. Vial concurred with Mr. Havis on the way the event was handled and the professionalism of all involved.

ADJOURN

With no further discussion, Motion by Mr. Wells to adjourn the meeting. No opposition.

S/Jill DeSouge,
Council Clerk
Tangipahoa Parish Council
S/David P. Vial, Chairman
Tangipahoa Parish Council

Cost of notice: $167.00

Sheriff's Sale
St. Helena Parish Sheriff's Office

Twenty-First Judicial District Court of Louisiana, in and for the Parish of St. Helena
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Vs. 25,858
Curtis S. Matherne

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By PABLO CREWES
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North Tangipahoa's annual grudge match highlights week number two of the LHSAA football season. The Kentwood Kangaroos look to rebound from a 32-26 loss to East Feliciana when they travel to take on the Jewel Sumner Cowboys, who knocked off St. Helena 41-18 that same night.

A season ago, the Pokes knocked off the Roos 20-14 under the water tower. Sumner's win snapped a 5-game losing streak in the rivalry.

Just down the road, two teams in purple hit the field looking for their first win of the season when Amite hosts Hammond. The contest marks the fourth straight year that the Warriors and Tornadoes have squared off, with HHMS taking the last three.

The Tribe dropped a 36-12 decision to Class 4A power Franklinton while the Tors lost to Denham Springs 34-15.

Ponchatoula dropped a heartbreaker to Walker 27-26 in the opener and look to rebound on the road at Dutchtown in Geismar. The Green Wave hope to snap a 2-game losing skid to the Griffins.

New St. Thomas Falcon coach Boomer Nunez looks for his first win as a skipper in Hammond when he leads his team into Loranger to take on the Wolves. A season ago, the Red & White claimed a 56-7 win over STA.

Last week, the Falcons won 37-14 at Pine, while Loranger picked up a 47-19 win over former head coach Sammy Messina's Independence Tigers.

Speaking of IHMS and Pine, they will be going head-to-head over in Washington Parish. Indy is out to avenge a 41-13 loss to the Raiders a year ago.

Meanwhile, in Livingston Parish, the Albany Hornets host Sarah Reed. AHS won in a thriller in '24, 39-33.

Springfield is also at home against St. John. The two teams were slated to play last year, but Hurricane Francine had other ideas. The Bulldogs enter at 0-1, while the Eagles sit at 1-0.

Moving into the Mid-South Association of Independent Schools, the Oak Forest Yellow Jackets are out for back-to-back wins when they travel to McComb to square off with Parklane. The 2-0 Pioneers knocked off OFA 42-34 in Amite last October.

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Campus Corner

By PABLO CREWES
Tangi Times Sportswriter

Earlier this week, the Southeastern Lion baseball team announced a pair of fall exhibition games that include matchups with their nearest NCAA neighbors.

In November, Coach Bobby Barbier's crew plays host to the defending national champion LSU Tigers on November 9. Then a week later, another group of Cats from Red Stick come to town on the 16th when the Southern Jaguars visit Alumni Field.

Beginning on Monday, season ticket holders can reserve their seats for the matchups. All the information can be found on the official website, lionsports.net.

Another Southeastern team that added hardware to the trophy case last season continues their relentless pursuit of perfection when Lee McBride's 5-0 Lady Lion volleyball team takes part in the South Alabama Invitational in Mobile. After a Thursday evening matchup with the host USA Jags, SLU squares off with Tulane at 1pm today.

On Sunday, the Green & Gold head to Baton Rouge to square off with the LSU lady Tigers, who sit at 5-2 on the year. This will be the first meeting between the two since 2023 when the Lady Lions took a 3-1 match 25-22, 25-20, 20-25, 25-17 in the state capital.

The match will stream live on ESPN+.

While the indoor volleyball team is cranking up the new season, the beach volleyball team has a new leader.

On Wednesday, Southeastern Athletic Director Jay Artigues announced the hiring of Hannah Volpi. The Metairie native replaces Amy Blanke, who guided her team to an opening round win in the Southland Conference Tournament in the spring. Volpi finished her playing career at the University of New Orleans, where she helped the Privateers claim a pair of 20-win seasons.

You can read up more on each of these by logging on to the official site of Southeastern Athletics, lionsports.net.

Lions Look for Win #2, Honor 6 SLU Greats

By PABLO CREWES
Tangi Times Sportswriter

After a 1-1 start on the road, the home folks get to see the Southeastern Lions in their dark jerseys in this weekend's home opener against Mississippi Valley State.

Saturday's Hall of Fame weekend game marks the third time that SLU squares off with the 0-2 Delta Devils. Southeastern won the previous two, 33-17 in Hammond in 2004 and 38-21 on the road the following season.

SLU is under the guidance of eighth year head coach Frank Scelfo, who sports a record of 45-37, including a 19-12 mark at home.

Valley is led by former NFL standout Terrell Buckley, who is 0-2 in his first season with MVSU. The one-time Super Bowl champion and two-time All-American cornerback at Florida State coached professionally in the XFL in 2023, finishing 1-9 with the Orlando Guardians.

In their two games this season, the Lions scored a total of 45 points while giving up 48. The Devils have been outscored 93-27 in their pair of outings.

Last week, Southeastern picked up their first win of the season in a 45-24 crushing of Murray State, while Mississippi Valley was crushed on the road at the FCS's #3 team, the Tarleton State Texans, 59-3.

Kickoff is set for 6pm. The game can be heard locally on the Southeastern Sports Radio Network and will stream on ESPN+. Live stats can also be seen online at lionsports.net.

Also this weekend, six Southeastern greats will be honored with Hall of Fame inductions. Lion gridiron greats Mark Boatner and Cquiln Hubert, soccer's Hope Sabadash, volleyball player Courtney Donald Sweeny, baseball's Ed Nodhturft, and hoopster Sarah Williams will receive the university's highest athletic honor.

To read up on the home opener, the Hall of Fame inductees and Friday's banquet, visit the virtual den, lionsports.net.

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This year's game will feature two OPTIONS participant teams, the Orange Rockets and the Purple Knights, as they compete for the title of Ballin' 4 OPTIONS Champions. The community is invited to attend this family-friendly event, which promises an afternoon filled with energy, excitement, and community pride. Admission is free for all attendees.

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More Seat Belts, Less Drunk Driving Fuel Safer Year on LA Roads

From LHSC

The number of people killed on Louisiana roads in 2024 dropped to its lowest level in five years as more people buckled up and fewer people died in drunk driving crashes, the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission an-nounced Tuesday.

The statistics were released Tuesday in a presentation by Dr. Helmut Schneider, executive director of the Center for Analytics and Research in Transportation Safety (CARTS) at LSU.

While traffic deaths have leveled off nationally from their Covid-era numbers, Louisiana's fatality numbers ap-pear to be dropping at a faster rate than the rest of the country.

In 2024, 753 people were killed in motor vehicle crashes in Louisiana, a 7.2% reduction, according to CARTS. The National Highway Transportation Safety Administration says fatalities dropped 3.8% across the country in 2024.

Louisiana's 2024 fatality rate –– people killed per 100 million miles traveled –– was at an all-time low of 1.37. The national rate in 2024 was 1.20.

While Louisiana's fatality rate is still above the national average, that gap is shrinking. In 2014, Louisiana's rate was 41.7% higher than the national rate. In 2024, that national gap has narrowed to 14.2%.

LHSC Executive Director Lisa Freeman said Louisiana's record low fatality rate "shows we are moving in the right direction, but we still have work to do. There are still too many people dying because of impaired drivers and non-seat belt usage. We will not be satisfied until our rate reaches zero."

In 2024, 261 people who were not wearing seat belts were killed in crashes, compared to 302 in 2023. That 13.6% drop in unrestrained traffic deaths aligns with a 2024 LHSC observational survey showing a record high of 88.4% of vehicle occupants in Louisiana are buckling up.

According to CARTS, 161 people died in crashes involving a drunk driver in 2024, an 18.3% decrease from 2023. Meanwhile, DWI arrests increased by 4.3%, with law enforcement officers arresting 13,675 people in 2024.

The uptick in DWI arrests is "likely due to an increase in enforcement," rather than an increase in the number of drunk drivers, Dr. Schneider said.

The 2024 Louisiana crash data also show:

69 people were killed in motorcycle crashes, representing a 28.9% decrease from 2023 and an all-time low in Louisiana.

44 bicyclists were killed, compared to 35 in 2023.

161 pedestrians were killed, compared to 147 in 2023.

102 people were killed in interstate crashes, representing a 26.6% reduction from 2023.

14 children ages 12 and under were killed in crashes, compared to 25 in 2023.

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